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REQUEST 10/016,156 Application No. **FOR** November 1, 2001 Filing Date **CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)** NANBA, et al. First Named Inventor **TRANSMITTAL** Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000, Group Art Unit 2873 provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. William C. CHOI Examiner Name

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

Atty Docket No. 1232-4783

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the ACC (hanges to Application Examination and Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), which exceptioned application.

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